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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- QUALITY SELF-DIRECTED SERVICES

Introduced By: Senators Goodwin, and Britto

Date Introduced: March 23, 2023

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 40-8.14 of the General Laws entitled "Quality Self-Directed  
2 Services" is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:

3 **40-8.14-4.1. Compensation rates for individual providers of direct support services.**

4 In accordance with the secretary's authority under § 40-8.14-4(c)(1), the hourly  
5 compensation rates for "individual providers" shall be no less than sixteen dollars (\$16.00) per hour  
6 beginning April 1, 2023; increasing to no less than seventeen dollars (\$17.00) per hour on June 30,  
7 2023; increasing to no less than eighteen dollars (\$18.00) per hour on December 31, 2023 and no  
8 less than nineteen dollars (\$19.00) per hour on June 30, 2024, and continuing.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
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1           This act would increase the hourly compensation for "individual providers" from no less  
2 than sixteen dollars (\$16.00) on April 1, 2023, and gradually increase several times until June 30,  
3 2024, when it would be nineteen dollars (\$19.00) and continuing.

4           This act would take effect upon passage.

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